- 1 MR. COLE: Thank you.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Any objection?
- 3 MR. HUTTON: No.
- 4 MR. SHOOK: No objection.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay. Then we are in recess until
- 6 11:16.
- 7 (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)
- 8 JUDGE SIPPEL: We are back on the record.
- 9 You are still under oath, Mr. Parker.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 12 Q With regard to Judge Rose, you did have dinner
- with him in Philadelphia on occasion, did you not?
- 14 A Oh, yes.
- 15 Q ****Staying with page 10, following the passage
- 16 regarding Judge Rose, you nominated Irving Cohen; is that
- 17 correct?
- 18 A That is correct.
- 19 O How did you come to know Irving Cohen?
- 20 A Well, Mr. Cohen was, again, -- I believe, one of
- 21 the founding members. He certainly was an investor in
- 22 Reading Broadcasting. I'm not sure whether he was in STV
- 23 Reading, Inc. as well. I don't believe he was. I think he
- 24 was an investor of Reading Broadcasting.
- Mr. Cohen was also the biggest businessman in the

- 1 group. He owns the largest -- he owns Construction
- 2 Fasteners, which is a manufacture manufacturer in
- 3 Wyomissing, Pennsylvania, which is a suburb of Reading, and
- 4 he was well liked by everybody. He is a gentleman's
- 5 gentleman, and has the personality of if there is a dispute,
- 6 let's bring everybody together and has the clout to go along
- 7 with it.
- 8 Q So the five nominees for the new board consisted
- 9 of Dr. Clymer, who was a member of the prior board as well;
- 10 is that correct?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Reverend McCracken, who was new?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Judge Rose, who was new?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And Irvin Cohen who was not on the previous board?
- 17 A Although I think he had been a director before.
- 18 He wasn't on the immediately previous board, but --
- 19 O He wasn't on the board that got disbanded?
- 20 A Well, you may want to characterize it that way. I
- 21 think -- he wasn't on the preceding board, no.
- 22 O He wasn't on the board that was "moot"?
- 23 A That is correct.
- Q And then one Ben Bowers nominated one Ben Bosers
- 25 for the board, is that --

1	A	Yes.
2	Q	Did you know Mr. Bowers?
3	А	Not before that meeting.
4	Q	When you came to know Mr. Bowers, did he have any
5	affiliati	on with Dr. Aurandt?
6	А	I think they are half-brothers or stepbrothers,
7	there is	some sort of relationship there, yes.
8	Q	Turn to page 33 of the minutes.
9	A	Yes.
10	Q	It would appear that the new board was elected
11	overwhelm	ingly?
12	А	That is correct.
13	Q	Now, by that point in time had some of the
14	stockhold	ers had left the meeting?
15	A	Some of the stockholders left the meeting, and
16	then I	'm not unless there is some reference to it
17	here, I re	eally couldn't while I remember the meeting
18	fairly we	ll, it's almost nine years ago.
19		MR. BECHTEL: Judge, if I've got a moment, maybe
20	we can go	off the record and I'll find what I
21		JUDGE SIPPEL: Sure. Off the record.
22		(Pause off the record.)
23		JUDGE SIPPEL: Yes.
24		BY MR. BECHTEL:

Directing your attention to page 12 of the

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- 1 minutes, the entry at the very top, "At 7 p.m. Mr. Schlagel,
- 2 Jack Linton and Tony Destachio left for another office
- 3 located in the building to conduct the board of directors
- 4 meeting."
- 5 Does that refresh your recollection?
- 6 A Where are you? I'm sorry.
- 7 Q Page 12, the very first sentence.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Page 12 of the minutes of October
- 9 30, 1991.
- MR. BECHTEL: Exhibit 13A, correct.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: 13A, yes.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I would say you have to put "their
- purported board of directors meeting," but yes, okay.
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 15 O Well, who wrote these minutes?
- 16 A I believe these were written up by Mr. Mattmiller.
- 17 They look like his. But I'm sure that Mr. Linton announced
- 18 he was going to have a board of directors meeting, and
- 19 that's what was written down.
- As it turned out later, it was a purported board
- 21 of directors meeting.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, what exactly do you mean by
- that, by "purported"?
- THE WITNESS: Well, Your Honor, at this time there
- 25 were -- on about September 14th, I think, Dr. Aurandt had

- 1 called a shareholders meeting which was later ruled invalid
- 2 by -- actually by an agreement between all the parties, but
- 3 at that meeting he had attempted or he had elected his wife
- 4 to a seat that had been vacated by Dr. Fisher.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, why don't you just give me
- 6 the bottom line on this. Are you saying that because in
- your view the board was not properly constituted or that he
- 8 really didn't have the board members that should have been
- 9 there?
- 10 THE WITNESS: In my view at this point, there were
- 11 four board members, and I was the president of that board.
- 12 In Dr. Aurandt's view, there were five board members, his
- 13 wife had been elected to the board, and he was the
- 14 president.
- As it turned out later, his group agreed that I
- 16 was correct and ratified retroactively all the actions that
- were taken by myself and by the subsequently elected board
- 18 at this meeting.
- 19 We had a period where -- we had a very volatile
- 20 dispute going on between shareholders.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, I'm sure that's going to be
- 22 brought out, but I just wanted to -- since you had been, you
- 23 know, focused on this particular meeting as "purported," I
- 24 just wanted to know what the basis was for using the word
- 25 "purported".

- 1 THE WITNESS: I understand.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: So I understand your answer too.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 4 JUDGE SIPPEL: Counsel, go ahead.
- 5 BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 6 Q Still on this "purported meeting" back in
- 7 December, the other "purported board" undertook to fire you,
- 8 didn't they?
- 9 A I'm not sure it was at the meeting or a previous
- meeting, but yes, they did undertake to -- not fire me, they
- 11 undertook to cancel the Partel contract and retain me as
- 12 executive vice president of the corporation.
- 13 Q And the settlement agreement where these various
- and sundry concessions were made, we're talking a year
- later, in October of '92, are we not?
- 16 A That is correct.
- 17 Q All right.
- 18 A Although I believe that this was the last attempt
- 19 they made to hold a board meeting.
- 20 O Which was that?
- 21 A This date.
- 22 O On October 30?
- 23 A Yes. I could be wrong. They could have tried one
- 24 more after that, but I believe this was the last date that
- 25 they tried. From then on, we were in Bankruptcy Court.

- 1 Q At the annual meeting of stockholders held in
- 2 February 1992, did they not seek a TRO from a local court to
- 3 enjoin the conduct of the meeting?
- 4 A They actually decided from the Bankruptcy Court
- 5 and Judge Twardowski denied their request.
- 6 Q And they were still in a fighting mood at that
- 7 point?
- 8 A Oh, I'm not saying they weren't in a fighting
- 9 mood. I just believe this was their last attempt to hold a
- 10 board meeting.
- 11 (Pause.)
- 12 Q Throughout this period in which there were
- conflicting versions of the board contest or a new board and
- 14 wiping out the old board, Reading Broadcasting failed to
- file, did it not, the required short Form 316 to disclose
- the proxy contest and present the new slate of directors for
- 17 FCC review, including adverse findings regarding law
- violations with regard to members of the board before
- implementing the new slate of directors?
- 20 MR. HUTTON: Objection. That asks the witness to
- 21 draw a legal conclusion.
- THE WITNESS: And it's about 20 questions.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, I'm going to sustain it based
- on Mr. Parker's response. I think you have to break that
- down a little bit into separate degrees.

1	BY	MR.	BECHTEL:

- 2 Q Mr. Parker, Reading Broadcasting during this
- 3 period of time failed to file, did it not, a Form 316,
- 4 disclosing the proxy contest to the FCC?
- 5 MR. HUTTON: Objection. There is no foundation
- that there was a proxy contest, and the term "proxy contest"
- 7 is unclear.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, let me see if -- do you
- 9 understand the question?
- 10 THE WITNESS: Well, I think I understand the
- 11 question. The premise of it's wrong. I don't think that a
- 12 316 is required. It was not a 50 percent transfer of
- control on the part of the company. And my understanding
- of when yo have to file a short form transfer -- well, the
- short form that we had filed previously, which I think you
- introduced into evidence, covered the issuance of the shares
- of October 15th, and I'm not aware of any additional shares
- 18 being issued at that point that required a short form
- 19 transfer.
- We did -- we did file a long form transfer when
- 21 Rod's shares were garnished, and I don't think we ever
- 22 consummated the short form because we ended up with the long
- form as a result of that garnishment.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, you seem to have a pretty
- 25 good understanding.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I think, though, he's trying
- 2 to put conclusions of law into the question. I just don't
- 3 think it was necessary.
- 4 JUDGE SIPPEL: I know you think it isn't necessary
- 5 and I know that Mr. Hutton has made that observation in the
- 6 form of an objection.
- 7 But you still have a question outstanding. Has it
- 8 been answered or do you want to ask him again?
- 9 MR. BECHTEL: Well, I want to respond to Mr.
- 10 Hutton's objection that there was no requirement that such a
- form be filed, and I will start with the law, and then I
- 12 will get back to the facts.
- I would ask that Adams Exhibit 25 be assigned for
- 14 identification --
- 15 JUDGE SIPPEL: We already have a 25.
- MR. BECHTEL: Twenty-six, sorry -- to a brief
- passage from the Commission's policy decision entitled
- 18 "Tender offers and proxy contests issued in 1986 following
- 19 the Storer case, " 59 RR 2nd at pages 1551 and 1552.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: What was the RR 2nd cite? I got
- 21 the pages but I mean what was the volume?
- MR. BECHTEL: 59 RR 2nd.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Fifty-nine?
- 24 All right, the reporter will mark these two pages
- 25 as Adams 26 for identification.

1	(The document referred to was
2	marked for identification as
3	Adams Exhibit No. 26.)
4	(Pause.)
5	JUDGE SIPPEL: Let's go off the record.
6	(Pause off the record.)
7	JUDGE SIPPEL: Back on the record.
8	MR. BECHTEL: Just to complete my response to Mr.
9	Hutton, this procedure had nothing to do with had nothing
10	to do with a 315, has nothing to do with the 316 that had
11	been filed in August of 1991. This procedure has to do when
12	you have a dispute over your directors, and the Commission
13	in this particular policy undertaking following the Storer
14	decision said we have to look at that. They said we're not
15	going to make it a long form because that is disruptive
16	because it's an internal dispute amongst the existing group
17	of stockholders and who their boards of directors should be.
18	But we have to look at that and we have to look at the
19	credentials, including the adverse findings regarding law
20	violations of the new directors, the new slate of directors,
21	and 316 goes pretty quick.
22	But the point is the Commission was under the
23	statute which is an exercise of their duties under Section
24	310 of the statute, was giving existing licensees break in
25	the sense of, well, we'll do it real fast, we'll get your

- 1 316 and we will process it, but they were saying you cannot,
- 2 like you can in the shoe business, have a Saturday night
- massacre, go in and wipe out a board of directors and
- 4 replace it with a new board of directors, and continue
- business the next day, which is what they did here.
- 6 JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. Well, that's your
- 7 argument but let's see where we stand on the evidence so
- 8 far. And this witness is here --
- 9 MR. BECHTEL: Well, that's my question to this
- 10 witness.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, the witness is here to
- 12 testify as to evidence.
- 13 Your objection, you still have the standing
- 14 objection that the witness is being asked to answer
- 15 questions of law. Am I correct, Mr. Hutton?
- MR. HUTTON: Also, the question is framed in terms
- of proxy contests, and there is no foundation to show that
- 18 what went on with Reading was a proxy contest within the
- 19 scope of this -- these pages.
- 20 And I find it very interesting that Mr. Bechtel
- 21 didn't include the entire document, including the definition
- 22 of proxy contests.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, you've got, I think I'm going
- 24 to certain sustain your objection that there has been no
- 25 foundation laid as to there having been a proxy contest,

- 1 number one. That's a fact question.
- Number two, with respect to the filings at the
- FCC, I would expect this witness to be able to testify as a
- 4 factual witness as to any filing that was made, particularly
- 5 any significant filing that was made, and he doesn't have --
- it doesn't mean that he's -- there might be a mixed bag of
- 7 law and fact, but certainly the president of a broadcasting
- 8 company should be able to, you know, have a pretty good
- 9 grasp as to what goes into these reporting forms,
- particularly something like 315 or 316.
- So I'm going to permit the question. I'm not
- 12 going to get hung up on this legal versus factual
- distinction, but there does have to be some foundation laid
- 14 so that this witness knows from where the questions are
- 15 coming. In other words, the objection is sustained with
- 16 respect to establishing a foundation that there was, in
- 17 fact, a proxy contest.
- 18 I'm not sure where that leaves you with your
- 19 question, Mr. Bechtel.
- MR. BECHTEL: Well, I get to go into the fact.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Yes, you did.
- 22 I'm sorry, Mr. Shook. Did you want to add
- 23 anything to this?
- MR. SHOOK: No.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: He said no.

1	(Pause.)
2	BY MR. BECHTEL:
3	Q It's true, is it not, sir, that in September of
4	1991 a group of stockholders undertook to cancel the
5	management agreement that the parties had?
6	MR. HUTTON: I'm sorry. I didn't hear the
7	question.
8	THE WITNESS: No, that's not correct.
9	JUDGE SIPPEL: Can you repeat the question for the
10	benefit of counsel? Just tell Mr. Hutton what it is again.
11	The answer will stand.
12	BY MR. BECHTEL:
13	Q It's true, is it not, that in September 1991 a
14	group of stockholders or directors in the corporation
15	undertook to hold a meeting that terminated the agreement,
L6	the Management Services Agreement with Partel?
L 7	A That's a different question. The first time you
L8	said "shareholders." The second time you said "directors"
L9	The reality is that they attempted to elect Dr.
20	Aurandt's wife to the board of directors, and then two of
21	the recognized directors, along with his wife, attempted to
22	cancel the contract; that is correct.
23	Q And you contested that?
24	A I, one, ruled that the meeting of the shareholders
25	was invalid for lack of proper notice, and that the notice

- 1 was deficient, and that in fact the meeting was invalid.
- 2 And later on I was sustained, yes. And all of the
- 3 activities that derived from that meeting were -- in effect,
- 4 I was sustained later, yes.
- 5 Q And you proceeded to select a new board of
- 6 directors in the stockholders meeting of October 30?
- 7 A Well, I think you're confusing one with the other.
- 8 Let me explain.
- 9 Q I'm not confusing anything, sir. I'm asking the
- 10 question.
- Now, the question is, it's true, is it not, on
- October 30, 1991, you elected a new board of directors?
- 13 A No, that is incorrect. The shareholders of
- 14 Reading Broadcasting elected a new board of directors, the
- shareholders that had been approved by the FCC and by the
- Bankruptcy Court elect ed a new board of directors because
- 17 on September 17th there were no shareholders under the
- bankruptcy plan, and new shares were issued in accordance
- 19 with that plan, and those shareholders elected a new board
- 20 of directors.
- 21 O And shareholders or directors who were party to
- the termination, attempted termination of your Management
- 23 Services Agreement, contested the election of your board of
- 24 directors; didn't they?
- 25 A A small portion of them did. The majority of

- 1 those who had participated in the September meeting voted
- 2 for the new directors.
- 3 Q So you contested their action and they contested
- 4 your action; is that not true?
- 5 A You've got to be more specific.
- Q Well, I was very specific with you. Let's start
- 7 again.
- 8 You contested their action in September of 1991
- 9 undertaking to terminate your Management Services Agreement
- and elect a certain person on the board of directors and
- 11 take whatever action; did you not?
- 12 A I, the president of the corporation, ruled that as
- an invalid meeting, that is correct.
- 14 Q And so you contested it?
- 15 A If you want to characterize it that way, I made a
- ruling as president of the corporation that was sustained.
- 17 Q Then you proceeded at the October 30, 1991,
- meeting to elect a slate of directors; did you not? Your
- 19 shareholders.
- 20 A You are characterizing it as a slate. There was a
- 21 nomination of a number of people to the board of directors
- 22 and the --
- 23 Q But it was a nomination by you, every single one
- 24 except yourself, and that was not identified who nominated
- 25 you.

- 1 A Oh, okay.
- Q All right. Okay, and the people who didn't -- who
- 3 opposed that opposed your election of the slate of
- 4 directors, did they not? They went in and tried to get a
- 5 TRO.
- A Not necessarily all of them because if you will
- 7 notice the highest number of votes went to Mr. Cohen, and so
- 8 they voted for him. Several of the shareholders went to
- 9 TRO, but not the vast majority of people who participated in
- 10 both meetings.
- 11 Q I will repeat my question. It was very simple.
- 12 You contested them and they contested you?
- MR. HUTTON: Objection, Your Honor.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Wait, wait, wait. He got an
- 15 objection.
- 16 MR. HUTTON: He's arguing with the witness.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, I'm going to sustain the
- objection as the question is just too conclusory. You can
- 19 ask the witness, you know, who, what when, where and why. I
- think that's a little too conclusory, and the witness
- 21 doesn't feel comfortable with it. I'm going to sustain the
- 22 objection.
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- Q Well, by whatever name, this contest, these
- contests were not resolved until October 1991, were they?

- 1 MR. HUTTON: Objection to the characterization
- 2 "contest." He's trying to put a word in the witness's
- 3 mouth, and there is no foundation laid for the use of the
- 4 term "contest."
- 5 JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, I think this is getting a
- 6 little -- this much better than the other question. Why
- 7 don't you ask the witness if he acknowledges that there was
- 8 a contest going on.
- 9 MR. BECHTEL: Well, I have asked him that three
- 10 times. I keep getting -- you know, what he's answered.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, let's see if you can -- I
- mean, so that you can get a definition, a common definition
- 13 there.
- Do you agree, Mr. Parker, that this is a contest
- 15 going on here, a contest?
- 16 THE WITNESS: Well, I tried to explain earlier
- 17 that after the meeting in February --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: We're talking terminology.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 20 JUDGE SIPPEL: This is corporate democracy in
- 21 action. You are the president of this company.
- THE WITNESS: That's right.
- 23 JUDGE SIPPEL: Is there a contest going on?
- 24 THE WITNESS: I think you could call it --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay, that's fine.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Go ahead. Let's start the question
- 3 again.
- 4 BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 5 Q The board --
- 6 A Yes.
- 8 Irvin Cohen and Reverend McCracken commenced doing business
- 9 following the October 30, 1991, meeting; did it not?
- 10 A That is correct.
- 11 Q And they commenced doing business and those
- 12 particular persons stayed on the board of directors the next
- 13 five years; isn't that correct?
- 14 A Three of them are still there, and I don't know
- when Dr. Clymer and Irv Cohen dropped off of the board, but
- 16 I will take it that that is correct.
- 17 O My notes are that Dr. Clymer's last term on the
- 18 board was '98; Cohen was '98; Rose and McCracken were
- 19 continuing on the board right now.
- 20 A Okay.
- 21 Q Would you agree with that?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Did you ever during this period of time as you
- were putting together the October 30th confrontation based
- on a five-day notice, and the immediate implementation; is

- that too complicated to credit this to you?
- 2 A Are you somehow trying to infer that five days --
- 3 five days are what is called for in the bylaws.
- 4 Q But very quick.
- 5 A That is correct.
- 6 Q At the time that you were strategizing and getting
- 7 ready to do that, did you ever call your FCC lawyer and say,
- 8 "Hey, can I do this or do I have to go to the FCC first"?
- 9 A Talk to him all the time.
- 10 Q No, answer my question.
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Your FCC lawyer didn't tell you about this rule
- that you're supposed to back off and give the FCC two weeks
- 14 time to process a 316 before you replace a board of
- 15 directors?
- MR. HUTTON: Objection.
- 17 JUDGE SIPPEL: Wait, wait, wait, wait.
- 18 MR. HUTTON: Objection. There is no foundation
- 19 that what took place here required such an application.
- 20 MR. BECHTEL: I didn't hear that.
- 21 JUDGE SIPPEL: He said there is no --
- MR. HUTTON: No foundation. You haven't shown
- that what happened here required such an application.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, wait, wait, wait, wait.
- If he's able to prove that, we don't need the

- 1 witness. No, no, that's -- I'm going to overrule that
- 2 objection. As long as this witness is going to testify, and
- 3 he's opened the door really in terms of the legal advice
- 4 he's getting, I'll permit this line of questions.
- 5 THE WITNESS: What was the question again?
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 7 Q The question was didn't your FCC lawyer say you
- 8 had to notify the FCC, give them a couple of weeks to review
- 9 the new directors before you could implement the plan?
- 10 MR. HUTTON: Objection. I'm going to object in
- 11 that it calls for attorney/client confidences.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, he has already answered this
- in a way on this very narrow point. But anyway, eh's
- 14 answered the question.
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 16 Q Did you ask him that guestion?
- 17 A Not in the context that you bring it up, no,
- 18 because I don't agree with your conclusion. This is not a
- 19 score broadcasting where there is thousand and millions of
- shares to where you have a proxy fight of a public company.
- 21 This was a very closely held, all these people knew each
- 22 other. I was the really only newcomer to this group. All
- the new shareholders were people who had invested in STV
- 24 Reading, Inc. and were a part of a group. I was the only
- really outside in the group, and they all knew each other.

1	In fact, all of the shareholders in Reading had
2	been on the board of directors, which is one of the reasons
3	that shareholder meetings took on a much broader character.
4	Everybody was interested. They had been involved from the
5	beginning in this corporation. The people in STV had been
6	involved in buying time on the station for movies, and so
7	they all knew each other.
8	And this wasn't a solicitation of a proxy like you
9	have in a big public company. This was everybody knew each
10	other, doctors and lawyers in a group that had put up a lot
11	of money and lost it, and we were taking the company from
12	debtor in possession, cancelling all the old shares, issuing
13	new shares, and the meeting in October was the first meeting
14	of the shareholders in the new company coming out of
15	bankruptcy, which had all been approved by the FCC in a
16	short Form 316 transfer. There was no reason for me to
17	suppose that we needed another one. Now immediately upon
18	receiving the garnishment
19	JUDGE SIPPEL: Needed another what?
20	THE WITNESS: Another 316. I'm sorry.
21	But upon receiving the garnishment, then we would
22	have passed the threshold of a transfer of control and we
23	applied for a long from transfer.
24	BY MR. BECHTEL:
25	Q You did send out a proxy with your letter of

- 1 October 25, didn't you?
- 2 A That is correct.
- 3 Q And prior to this meeting you did lobby various
- 4 and sundry stockholders and soliciting their support, did
- 5 you not?
- 6 A Oh, I asked them to be at the meeting. I asked
- 7 them for their support. Dr. Clymer talked to all the
- 8 doctors. Yes, there was a lot of activity that went on
- 9 ahead of the meeting.
- 10 Q And Dr. Aurandt did some lobbying too, did he not?
- 11 A I'm not aware of whether he did any or not.
- 12 Q Maybe your lobbying was better than his lobbying
- 13 at the end, wasn't it?
- 14 A Well, I think the facts speak for themselves. The
- vast majority of shareholders voted for all of the directors
- and even a larger majority voted for Irv Cohen.
- 17 Q Now, you mentioned that you were the only new real
- 18 director in the group.
- 19 A I didn't say that. Shareholder, I was talking
- about the shareholders group.
- 21 Q Yes. You folks have gone to the FCC, we have this
- 22 change in directors, Mr. Parker. Everybody else knows each
- other. Mr. Parker is a newcomer. You would not have been
- 24 well serviced -- you would not have been well served by such
- a review giving the recent adverse findings regarding law

- 1 violations that the FCC would know about, would you?
- 2 A Counselor, you should put that in your legal
- 3 brief. I just -- I don't believe you are correct. There
- 4 was no reason here to suppose that the FCC would have done
- 5 anything but approve the applications that were presented to
- 6 them.
- 7 Q Excuse me. You had a warning fraction that was
- 8 ready to go to the local district courts and seek a TRO, did
- 9 you not?
- 10 A They went to the Bankruptcy Court. I'm not aware
- of the local district court.
- 12 Q To the Bankruptcy Court, they were willing to go
- 13 litigate. They were angry enough to litigate and seek a
- 14 TRO.
- 15 A They were angry because under the formula of the
- 16 bankruptcy they got less stock than they wanted, but they
- 17 had voted for and approved the formula, and Dr. Aurandt was
- asking me to do something that was patently illegal.
- 19 O And if you had -- if you had indeed presented the
- 20 dismissal of an entire slate of directors and an election of
- 21 a brand new slate of directors in this milieu where your
- 22 opponents were fighting you, and if you had presented that
- 23 to the FCC, and if they had gone to it as their own
- 24 communications lawyers, you might have had a hell of a
- 25 problem down here, wouldn't you?

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                MR. HUTTON: Objection. There are about five
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      hypotheticals built in there.
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                JUDGE SIPPEL: I sustain the objection.
                MR. BECHTEL: It's about time for lunch.
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                JUDGE SIPPEL: Do you want to break now, come back
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      later? Any objection?
                MR. HUTTON: No.
                JUDGE SIPPEL: Come back at 1:35 by the clock in
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      the back of the room.
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                You are still under oath.
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                THE WITNESS: Understand. Thank you, Your Honor.
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                 (Whereupon, at 12:05 p.m., the hearing was
      recessed, to resume at 1:35 p.m., this same day, Monday,
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1	AFTERNOON SESSION
2	(1:35 p.m.)
3	JUDGE SIPPEL: We're back on the record.
4	Is there any preliminary matters before we
5	proceed? Mr. Bechtel?
6	MR. BECHTEL: I think it might be useful, sir, to
7	mark for identification as Exhibit 27 the document entitled
8	"Settlement Agreement," which is 39 pages in length.
9	JUDGE SIPPEL: How many pages?
10	MR. BECHTEL: Thirty-nine.
11	JUDGE SIPPEL: Thirty-nine.
12	Okay, the reporter will mark this document as
L3	Adams 27 for identification.
L4	(The document referred to was
L5	marked for identification as
L6	Adams Exhibit No. 27.)
L 7	JUDGE SIPPEL: What's the date on that agreement,
L8	Mr. Bechtel?
L9	MR. BECHTEL: Thank you, sir. I didn't look. On
20	the front page it's a blank day of August, 1992, and the
21	signatures are as of that date, whatever that may be.
22	JUDGE SIPPEL: Can we work off I guess we can.
23	We've got signatures on it.
24	All right, that's marked as 27, Adams 27 for
25	identification.

1	Whereupon,
2	MICHEAL L. PARKER
3	having previously duly sworn, was recalled as a
4	witness and was examined and testified further as follows:
5	CROSS-EXAMINATION (Resumes)
6	BY MR. BECHTEL:
7	Q Mr. Parker, the first "whereas" clause on page 1
8	states, does it not, "That on September 14, 1991, the
9	Aurandt board was elected at a shareholders meeting, the
10	validity of which is disputed by Parker"?
11	A Yes.
12	Q And the third "whereas" clause on the next page
13	states, does it not, "On October 30, 1991, the new
14	shareholders removed the Aurandt board and elected the
15	Parker board at a special shareholders meetings, which
16	meeting is disputed by the Aurandt board," does it not?
17	A Yes.
18	Q Three more "whereases" down the page, it states,
19	does it not, "The Parker board and the Aurandt board, each
20	purport to be the sole board of directors of Reading
21	Broadcasting, Inc."?
22	A Yes.
23	Q On page 26, about the meeting of the page there is
24	a statement, "Including Mike Parker and Linda Hendrickson
25	shall each resign as president and director of STV."

- 1 To your recollection, were you still president --
- were you president of STV in August 1993?
- 3 A No, I was not.
- If you notice, if you go on with the sentence you
- 5 read, it says, "effective the day before their respective
- 6 purported election for those offices."
- 7 The whole idea of this document was to untangle
- 8 the mess that had been established, and so all through it
- 9 everybody is resigning from -- clearly at the end of this
- 10 Aurandt is in control of STV Reading, Inc., and the
- 11 directors that were elected at the October meeting are the
- only surviving board of directors. That's the effect of the
- 13 settlement.
- 14 Q Thank you.
- 15 A That and the lawyers get paid.
- 16 O Indeed. We all have to eat.
- 17 A And you ought to be eating real good.
- 18 (Laughter.)
- 19 I'm sure Mr. Gilbert would agree with me.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: The paper this morning, the first
- 21 page of The Post said that because of the lawyers'
- 22 threatening positions on Y2K problems, there were no Y2K
- 23 problems.
- THE WITNESS: I think that's probably true.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: There you go.

1	MR. HUTTON: Now those lawyers have to figure out
2	where to make money next.
3	MR. SHOOK: YK3.
4	(Laughter.)
5	THE WITNESS: Gee, that's easy.
6	MR. BECHTEL: I ask that Adams Exhibit 28 for
7	let me move into evidence Adams Exhibit 27.
8	JUDGE SIPPEL: The same objection?
9	MR. HUTTON: Yes.
10	JUDGE SIPPEL: Mr. Shook?
11	MR. SHOOK: No objection.
12	JUDGE SIPPEL: I'll overrule the objection. Adams
13	Exhibit 27 for identification is received at this time as
14	Adams 27.
15	(The document referred to,
16	previously identified as Adams
17	Exhibit No. 27, was received
18	in evidence.)
19	MR. BECHTEL: I ask that Adams Exhibit 28 for
20	identification be assigned to FCC Form 315, filed November
21	22, 1991. This didn't get numbered. What I'm looking at
22	commences at page bear with me.
23	JUDGE SIPPEL: Go off the record.
24	(Pause off the record.)
25	JUDGE SIPPEL: Yes, we're back on the record.
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1	MR. BECHTEL: The document consists of FCC Form
2	315, commencing with the first page of that form to page 14.
3	Then an Employment Opportunity Form, which is four pages,
4	then Exhibits 1 through 5.
5	JUDGE SIPPEL: is there a date on that document?
6	MR. BECHTEL: It's 30 pages. It's dated bears
7	the date of file number of BTCCT-911113KH, and it bears a
8	stamped in date, what appears to be an FCC stamped in date
9	of November 19, 1991. I think we are ready.
10	JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. The reporter will mark
11	for identification a document as Adams Exhibit 28 for
12	identification.
13	(The document referred to was
14	marked for identification as
15	Adams Exhibit No. 28.)
16	(Pause.)
17	BY MR. BECHTEL:
18	Q Mr. Parker, does this appear to be an application
19	on 315 that was filed by Reading Broadcasting, Inc. as
20	debtor in possession by Reading Broadcasting, Inc. in or
21	about November 1991?
22	A Yes.
23	Q Turning to the signature pages which are on page
24	No. 12 of the 315 there are 14 on 315, do you have those?
25	A Yes.

- 1 Q As transferror, you signed the application as
- 2 president of Reading Broadcasting, Inc. as debtor in
- 3 possession?
- 4 A That is correct.
- 5 Q This may be an esoteric issue, but wouldn't a
- 6 former stockholder of Reading Broadcasting, Inc. be a
- 7 transferror of this?
- 8 A Actually no. Bankruptcies explained to me as
- 9 opposed to other forms, actually we were still a debtor in
- 10 possession because we had -- I want to get the terms right,
- 11 the final conclusion of the bankruptcy had not been entered
- 12 with the court. So as long as we were a debtor in
- possession, the officers of the corporation run the
- 14 corporation because there is still legally no shareholder.
- 15 That's -- now, again, I'm not a bankruptcy attorney, but
- 16 that's how I understand it.
- 17 Even though we had issued shares and so on and
- 18 were going through the forms, until the plan itself is
- 19 final, that's how it operates.
- 20 O Turn your attention to Exhibit 2.
- 21 JUDGE SIPPEL: Exhibit 2 of Adams 28?
- MR. BECHTEL: Yes.
- 23 (Pause.)
- 24 THE WITNESS: Yes.
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1	BY MR. BECHTEL:
2	Q The statements made in that exhibit, and I have
3	special interest in the second paragraph on the footnote on
4	the second page, are they accurate?
5	A When taken with the footnote in Exhibit 4, yes,
6	they are accurate.
7	Q Then indeed that answers my next question with
8	Exhibit 4 then.
9	A Yes.
10	MR. BECHTEL: You might hold onto that but I have
11	a couple of related documents that I want to identify.
12	The next item is, and the request is we call this
13	Adams Exhibit 29, a letter dated January 29, 1992, to the
14	FCC from Ms. Friedman that's two pages in length; an
15	amendment of the transfer application signed by Mr. Parker,
16	one page in length; and then a two-page letter by Marvin
17	Mercer, Esquire.
18	JUDGE SIPPEL: The document which Mr. Bechtel has
19	identified will be marked for identification as Adams
20	Exhibit 29.
21	(The document referred to was
22	marked for identification as
23	Adams Exhibit No. 29.)
24	BY MR. BECHTEL:
25	Q This would appear to be a supplemental submission
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1 to the Commission, perhaps in response to a Commission's 2 inquiry; is that your recall of what it is? I have to be honest. I really don't recall this. 3 But it certainly appears to be as you have characterized it 4 in what the letter from Ms. Friedman on its face tells the 5 6 Commission that we are responding to their inquiry, and the explanation that appears in the letter by Mr. Mercer is explaining the 6.25 percent option granted to Meridian by 8 9 Partel. 10 0 Would you mind just hold that handy. Α Mm-hmm. 11 I have another one here. 12 0 MR. BECHTEL: Ask that Adams Exhibit 30 be marked 13 for identification on a letter dated February 7, 1992, from 14 Ms. Friedman that's two pages; an amendment and a six-page 15 order from the Bankruptcy Court, so counting nine pages 16 17 total. JUDGE SIPPEL: The reporter will mark this 18 document as Adams Exhibit 30 for identification. 19 (The document referred to was 20 marked for identification as 21 Adams Exhibit No. 30.) 22 BY MR. BECHTEL: 23 Mr. Parker, this likewise appears to be in 24

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response to an inquiry from the Commission staff, if you can

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- 1 tell.
- 2 A I don't believe it's in response to an inquiry
- 3 here. I believe on the 8th of January you had an order of
- 4 the court which they filed on the 7th of February, which
- 5 would be in the 30-day -- the 30-day time frame. I think
- 6 this came about as a result of the judge's order. That
- 7 would be my -- I don't really recall it to be honest. But
- 9 just in reading it, that's how I would -- it doesn't
- 9 reference any request by the Commission.
- 10 Q I understand that. But not the quibble, I think
- 11 the order was dated in January.
- 12 A Oh, you are correct, and so I imagine it was
- 13 part -- I'd go along with you then.
- 14 Q The second paragraph of the letter from Ms.
- 15 Friedman, in the second sentence -- third sentence say, "As
- 16 referenced in Reading's application, in order to adequately
- 17 finance the corporation, Reading will issue additional
- 18 shares of stock to reflect the addition of several new
- 19 shareholders. Consequently, the above-referenced
- application was filed on FCC From 315, the long form
- 21 application."
- Is that an accurate statement?
- 23 A In part, yes. And I think if you --
- 24 Q Explain "in part".
- 25 A Okay. I mean, I'm sure she could have gone on

- 1 further to talk about the garnishment which also brought us
- 2 right to the 50 percent. But at some point we knew that
- 3 that wasn't the case. But the plan that was submitted to
- 4 the Bankruptcy Court allowed Reading Broadcasting to issue
- 5 additional shares for the construction of the new tower that
- 6 were not subject to the -- not subject to Meridian Bank's
- 7 lien. That was, if you will, additional shares outside.
- 8 But that would be impossible with the state of affairs
- 9 coming out of bankruptcy where we were right up against the
- 10 50 percent transfer.
- So by going to the long form, we not only took
- care of the garnishment situation, but we then allowed us to
- 13 start at base zero again, and we would be free to make a
- deal, issue shares, as long as it didn't exceed the 50
- 15 percent rule again to finance the tower.
- 16 So I think that's what she is referring to here,
- 17 but frankly, I don't recall this, but it would fit with the
- 18 time sequence of things. And the bankruptcy plan that was
- 19 presented to the court clearly called for Reading
- 20 Broadcasting to be able to sell more shares to finance the
- 21 tower.
- Q Well, peruse, if you will, the listing of proposed
- 23 stockholders commencing at page 6 of the Form 315.
- 24 A I'm sorry. You changed documents on me.
- 25 Q Oh, I did indeed.

- JUDGE SIPPEL: We're back now to Adams 28 for
- 2 identification.
- THE WITNESS: What document is that? I'm sorry.
- 4 And mine aren't numbered. I'm sorry. There is no numbers
- on mine. If you would just hand me a 28, I'll look at it
- 6 and then I'll give it back to you.
- What page did you want me on?
- 8 MR. BECHTEL: Go to page 6 and there is a listing
- 9 of proposed stockholders. I'm going to ask you to look
- 10 for --
- 11 THE WITNESS: Page 6, okay, yes.
- 12 BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 13 Q Proposed stockholders that reflect the additional
- 14 monies for the tower that you -l-
- 15 A They are not there.
- 16 Q They are not there?
- 17 A Oh, no. What I am saying the plan called for in
- 18 the future, if you will. Bankruptcy Chapter 11 starts out
- 19 with the business plan that you submit to the court and
- 20 tells the court what you're going to do that's different
- 21 from how you have been operating so that you can get out of
- 22 debt. So you give them a plan.
- Then once the plan comes downstream, you have to
- 24 do this closure statement, and in various stages, and I'm --
- 25 again, it's been a lot of years since I've done this, but

- the judge would like approved document. Then the disclosure
- 2 statement is prepared and everybody has a chance to argue
- about whether the disclosures are adequate. And you finally
- 4 get a disclosure statement. That goes out to all the
- 5 creditors and they get to vote on it, depending on what
- 6 class. They have to get enough votes to implement the plan.
- 7 And clearly the plan that we presented called for
- 8 certain classes to get paid differently, and for, as a
- 9 business plan, being able to sell additional shares in the
- 10 corporation if that was necessary to finance a new tower,
- 11 new towers.
- But we hadn't -- we hadn't sold the -- we hadn't
- 13 sold any stock or had any commitments to sell at that point,
- but by going a long form we came back to where we could
- 15 start at zero and we could transfer up to what, 49 percent
- of whatever the company make a deal with like a financial
- 17 company or whatever to finance the tower, and go forward
- 18 with our plan.
- 19 Now, the reality is we haven't done that, but it
- allowed us to do it. If you will, it gave us the room to do
- 21 it future-wise.
- Q In other words, by this 315 and Commission
- approval of this 315, you would then have a new universe of
- 24 approved --
- 25 A Yes.

1 \circ -- stockholders? Α 2 Mm-hmm. 3 0 From which you could then proceed with various and 4 sundry --5 Α Right. And it took care of the Aurandt problem in 6 that his shares being garnished. If they were transferred, we would have had a transfer of control. 8 So what I am saying is it really accomplished 9 multiple purposes for the corporation. Prevented that from 10 happening, and it gave clear, clean title to everybody's 11 Everybody -- we started all over at base zero. 12 JUDGE SIPPEL: So the Aurandt problem, that's Dr. Aurandt, Dr. Aurandt? 13 14 THE WITNESS: Doctor --15 JUDGE SIPPEL: A-U-R-A-N-D-T, is that right? 16 THE WITNESS: A-U-R-A-N-D-T, that is correct. 17 JUDGE SIPPEL: I'm doing that for the reporter. 18 THE WITNESS: Okay. BY MR. BECHTEL: 19 But you had issued the stocks, hadn't you? 20 Q I think we had issued all but Aurandt's shares, 21 Α 22 and there was a problem with Aurandt's shares in that they

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were garnished, but I didn't want to transfer them from

Aurandt to someone else, and have an illegal transfer

control. And I took the position as president of the

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- 1 corporation that I wasn't going to do that without FCC
- 2 approval.
- 3 Ultimately they never got transferred. There was
- 4 a settlement between Aurandt, Reading, his creditors,
- 5 Massey. But all those people were also shareholders now of
- 6 RBI because they had invested in STV Reading, Inc. and by
- 7 virtue of the bankruptcy plan had received shares in the
- 8 corporation.
- 9 So if you will, and Dr. Aurandt was disputing with
- me, the reason he wanted to get rid of me is that I would
- 11 not issue founder shares to him. The plan that I had
- 12 presented to all the shareholders, and the shareholders had
- approved and Dr. Aurandt had signed off on says whenever you
- 14 put money into the corporation, we gave you interest on that
- money from the date you put it in to the date of the
- 16 bankruptcy. We divided that by 10 dollars and something per
- share, and that's how we issued the shares.
- And Aurandt came back to me and said, "Well, I
- loans \$100,000 to the corporation. I was the founder. I am
- 20 entitled to more shares." But he never could prove or
- establish, one, that he had loaned \$100,000 to the
- 22 corporation, or what it was used for. And we had
- 23 accountants that had audited the books and felt all the
- 24 money was accounted for; and secondly, there was no basis to
- award him founder shares. So I turned that down, and that's

- when he tried to undo the bankruptcy plan.
- 2 Q Fascinating, but my question is: You had already
- 3 issued the stock, hadn't you?
- 4 A Not all of it, no. I think one of the minutes
- 5 that you introduced I tell the board of directors that
- 6 Aurandt -- or a shareholders meeting, one of them -- that
- 7 Aurandt's shares are still in dispute.
- 8 Q One more time. You had already issued the stock,
- 9 had you not, to Robert Denby, Sergio Prosperi, Jack Linton,
- 10 Nancy Linton, Irvin Cohen, Roger Longenecker, Ralph
- 11 Tietbohl, Patricia Verbinski, Robert Clymer, Larry
- 12 Rotenberg, David Mann, Joanne Davis, Albert Boscov, John
- 13 Bower, Edward Fisher, Bernard Gerber, Catherine Morrow --
- 14 Q You're talking about all the other shareholders?
- 15 Q -- Donald Stoudt -- I'm not done with my question.
- 16 Donald Stoudt, David Hyman, George Pauloff, Ben
- Bowers, Harvey Massey, Al Bosey, Fred Hollingsworth, Carol
- 18 Kasko, Ethlyn Muir, Hugh Morris, Paul Pavloff, Harry
- 19 Brueckman, John H. Gallen, Helen Kirkpatrick, Barbara
- 20 MacCallen, Martin Muir, Mark Morris, Richard Palmer, Stell
- 21 Pavloff-Bull, Andolph Rodriquez, martin Wohlbruck, Dolores
- 22 Gallen, Michael Parker, your company, STV Reading -- here it
- is, Partel, Inc.
- You had issued stocks to all of those parties
- before you ever filed this application, isn't that true?

- 1 A Aurandt and Helen Pig-Aurandt. Yes, that is true.
- 2 Q Now, if someone -- if someone did not want the FCC
- 3 to know that there had been a contest over the board of
- 4 directors of the company, a good way to cloak that, mask
- 5 that from the FCC, would be to air -- list a former group of
- 6 directors as the directors of the corporation, and through
- 7 inadvertent failure to list the new board of directors?
- 8 MR. HUTTON: Objection.
- 9 JUDGE SIPPEL: Sustained.
- 10 BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 11 Q Turning to the page of the listing of directors,
- it's true, is it not, that this form lists Dr. Aurandt,
- Robert Denby -- I'm reading the wrong column -- Henry
- 14 Aurandt, Jack Linton, Robert Clymer, Edward Fischer and
- 15 yourself as the directors.
- 16 A That is correct.
- 17 O And it's true, is it not -- I would direct
- 18 everyone's attention. It's true -- I'm now going to direct
- 19 your attention to the ownership report. In Exhibit 11 --
- 20 JUDGE SIPPEL: Reading Exhibit 11?
- 21 MR. BECHTEL: Yes, sir. We're looking at March
- 22 28, 1991, which is about the third one in the -- in the
- exhibit.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Which exhibit is it? I'm sorry.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, they have got to bring it up.

- MR. BECHTEL: I think I've got those numbered 14
- 2 and 15, is that --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: No, no, no. No, no.
- 4 Why don't you help him locate that?
- 5 (Pause.)
- 6 THE WITNESS: Okay. Where do you want me to go
- 7 now?
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 9 Q Okay, the third one is -- and I want you to --
- 10 I'll direct your attention to the directors that are
- reported here, and ask you if they aren't the same directors
- 12 that are reported in the ownership report --
- 13 A Hang on a second here.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: You can't talk yet because --
- THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Do I have the wrong one?
- 16 JUDGE SIPPEL: It's little bitty one.
- 17 THE WITNESS: What's the date on it?
- JUDGE SIPPEL: I was just going by the exhibit
- 19 sheet.
- Wait a minute, you can't talk to counsel.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Oh, I can't.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: No.
- 23 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. I apologize.
- 24 JUDGE SIPPEL: He's just going to direct you to
- 25 the page.

1	THE WITNESS: I got it. Okay, I'll figure it out.
2	JUDGE SIPPEL: If you have a question, you can ask
3	Mr. Bechtel to direct you.
4	THE WITNESS: What's the question? Maybe I'm
5	BY MR. BECHTEL:
6	Q The question is are not the five directors listed
7	in this report yourself, Henry Aurandt, Jack Linton, Robert
8	Clymer, and Edward Fischer?
9	A Yes, that is correct.
10	MR. BECHTEL: I would move into evidence Adams 28,
11	29 and 30.
12	JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay. Is there an objection? Same
13	objection?
14	MR. HUTTON: Yes, Your Honor.
15	JUDGE SIPPEL: Any objection from the Bureau's
16	side?
17	MR. SHOOK: No, Your Honor.
18	JUDGE SIPPEL: Exhibits 28, 29 and 30 for
19	identification are now received in evidence. The objection
20	is overruled.
21	(The documents referred to,
22	previously identified as Adams
23	Exhibit Nos. 28, 29 and 30,
24	were received in evidence.)
25	MR. BECHTEL: For identification as Adams 31 a
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1	two-page document. The first one is an FCC form approving
2	the transfer application, and the second one is a letter of
3	notice of the approval dated February 11, 1992, from the
4	FCC.
5	JUDGE SIPPEL: The document as described by Mr.
6	Bechtel is marked for identification as Adams Exhibit 31.
7	(The document referred to was
8	marked for identification as
9	Adams Exhibit No. 31.)
10	MR. BECHTEL: I have no questions of the witness
11	on this. I offer it in evidence for the purpose to
12	demonstrate that the Commission indeed acted upon the
13	JUDGE SIPPEL: Any objection? The same?
14	MR. HUTTON: Yes.
15	JUDGE SIPPEL: Overruled. Exhibit 31 is received
16	for that purpose.
17	(The document referred to,
18	previously identified as Adams
19	Exhibit No. 31, was received
20	in evidence.)
21	MR. BECHTEL: Adams 32 for identification please,
22	a one-page letter from the ubiquitous Ms. Friedman dated
2.2	April 10, 1992, regarding consummation of the transfer. I
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24	have no questions.

1	page letter dated April 10, 1992 from Paula Friedman
2	identified as Adams Exhibit No. 32.
3	(The document referred to was
4	marked for identification as
5	Adams Exhibit No. 32.)
6	MR. BECHTEL: I offer it in evidence.
7	JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay. Mr. Hutton's objection is
8	noted, and it's overruled and it will be received in
9	evidence as Adams 32.
10	(The document referred to,
11	previously identified as Adams
12	Exhibit No. 32, was received
13	in evidence.)
14	MR. BECHTEL: To save time and paper, I will just
15	simply call attention to the ownership report reflecting
16	consummation of this matter bearing a date of April 9, 1992,
17	which has already been received in evidence in Reading
18	Broadcasting Company's Exhibit 11.
19	And I have no further questions of the witness on
20	that issue.
21	JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. What is the date of
22	that ownership report?
23	A It bears a fee received date of April 16, 1992.
24	The "as of" date is April 9, 1992. And I'm having de je vue
25	that we've been through this already this morning.

- 1 JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. And what does it
- 2 reflect?
- 3 MR. BECHTEL: It reflects consummation of the
- 4 transfer of control.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. The document will speak
- for itself, and this line of questioning is now concluded
- 7 unless we have questions, of course, by Mr. Shook.
- 8 MR. BECHTEL: I have other lines of questioning
- 9 but this gets us off of where we have been for quite awhile.
- 10 JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. Do you want to ask
- 11 questions in this area, Mr. Shook, or do you want to wait
- 12 until he is completely finished?
- MR. SHOOK: I would rather do my questioning all
- 14 at once.
- 15 JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. You may proceed then
- 16 with the next subject.
- MR. BECHTEL: If I may confer with co-counsel for
- 18 a moment.
- 19 JUDGE SIPPEL: Surely. Surely. Off the record
- 20 for a minute.
- 21 (Pause off the record.)
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay, we are on the record.
- BY MR. BECHTEL:
- 24 Q I am now directing your attention to your written
- 25 direct testimony in Exhibit 5.

1	A Exhibit 5.
2	JUDGE SIPPEL: That would be the first volume.
3	MR. BECHTEL: This is the testimony that you
4	presented here.
5	THE WITNESS: I understand.
6	MR. SHOOK: Your Honor, this is going to happen
7	periodically. If I may interject that a reference to the
8	number is not sufficient. You have to clarify that it's
9	either Adams 5 or Reading 5. Most of know implicitly what
10	you are referring, but the record doesn't reflect that right
11	now.
12	JUDGE SIPPEL: All right, I have tried to make
13	that keep that focus but that's a good point. We are now
14	in Reading Exhibit No. 5 which is your own testimony.
15	THE WITNESS: Yes, I understand. I found it.
16	BY MR. BECHTEL:
17	Q And I'm addressing the financial figures in the
L 8	first paragraph?
19	A Yes.
20	Q A few years ago when I went to class, kept trying
21	to get a master's in accounting, my professor said, "Never
22	just read the final figures. Look at the statements."
23	MR. BECHTEL: What's my number? Harry, what's my
24	number?

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JUDGE SIPPEL: The last one that came in was Adams

- 1 32.
- MR. BECHTEL: I'm distributing, and I ask that it
- 3 be marked for identification as Adams 33, a two-page
- 4 document entitled Reading Broadcasting, Inc. Statement of
- 5 Income, and it appears to be for the five months ending or
- 6 it appears to be relative to the year 1989, and I believe it
- 7 ties to the figures in the testimony.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: 1990 what?
- 9 MR. BECHTEL: 1989.
- 10 JUDGE SIPPEL: Thank you. That document is marked
- 11 for identification as Adams 33.
- 12 (The document referred to was
- 13 marked for identification as
- 14 Adams Exhibit No. 33.)
- MR. BECHTEL: I have no questions concerning this
- 16 exhibit. I move it into evidence.
- 17 JUDGE SIPPEL: What does it relate to?
- 18 MR. BECHTEL: It relates to the figures for 1989
- 19 of revenues and expenses. And I think if you -- a net loss,
- and I'm looking on the second page for the entire 12 months,
- 21 the net loss figure matches, the expenses match, and on the
- 22 first page the revenues match, the last column over.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: So what's the -- the number match,
- 24 what's the purpose for the document?
- 25 MR. BECHTEL: The purpose of the document and I